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Amendment to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 8, line 24, with the following corrected paragraph:

Assume that a matrix $T_{\text{availresources,3}}$, where $T_{\text{availresources}}$ is the number 1 2 of resources 104 in the system waiting to service work items 100, represents each resource's activity during the current login session by $T_{n,1}$ 3 = time in seconds since becoming available, $T_{n,2}$ = percent of logged-in 4 time not spent serving work items 100 (serving time being the work items' 5 handling time and the work items' associated after-call work), and $T_{n,3} = a$ 6 measure of how much serving of the available work item 100 would move 7 8 this resource toward its goal (See section on Calculating and Setting Resource Goals.) Other and/or additional treatment metrics may be used, 9 10 as desired.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 20, line 19, with the following corrected paragraph:

Each classification 300 includes a qualifying weights for 1 resource fairness values (QWRFV) vector 308. The values, for resource 2 n, of $TW_{n,m}$ must be filled in for fairness values one through three (1 \leq m 3 4 \leq 3.) $TW_{n,1}$ is the weight to be given to the time since resource n has become available (or is it the idle time?), $TW_{n,2}$ is the weight to be given to 5 the percentage of time that resource n has <u>not</u> spent handling work 6 items 100, TW_n is the weight to be given to how much the processing of 7 8 the current work item 100 would move resource 104 toward its service objective. Although the values of TW can be anything, it is most 9 appropriate to imagine that $\sum_{i=1}^{i=3} TW_{n,i} = 1$ for a percentage weight of each 10 of the values for some resource n. In the simple default case, it is 11 expected that a work item 100 will have only one set of TW values in 12 common for all resources 104. 13